

CPUC Public Agenda 3548

Thursday, July 11, 2024, 11:00 a.m.

Commissioners:

Alice Reynolds, President

Darcie L. Houck

John Reynolds

Karen Douglas

Matthew Baker

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California Public
Utilities Commission

CPUC Mission

We Empower California through:

- Assuring utility services are clean and safe.
- Providing for critical services and infrastructure.
- Designing rates that are fair and reasonable.
- Protecting the interests of consumers and ratepayers

CPUC Core Values



Accountability



Excellence



Integrity



**Open
Communication**



Stewardship

Commissioner Code of Conduct

- I. Commissioners should conduct themselves in a manner that demonstrates respect for the public, for fellow Commissioners, and for Commission staff.
- II. Commission meetings should be opportunities for a full and respectful exchange of ideas and the responsible execution of Commission duties.
- III. Serving on the Commission is an honor and Commissioners should treat their colleagues at the Commission with respect for the varied backgrounds, skills and interests that each one brings.
- IV. Commissioners are public officials who should uphold the integrity of their office at all times.

Public Comment

- Per Resolution ALJ-252, any member of the public (excluding parties and their representatives) who wishes to address the CPUC about matters before the Commission may comment in person at the Commission Meeting or may call in to the toll-free number:



1-800-857-1917

Passcode: 9899501

- ***Para escuchar esta reunión en español, por favor llame: (800) 857-1917, código de acceso: 3799627.***
- Once called, each speaker has 1 minute at the discretion of the Commission President. If there are a large number of callers wishing to speak, the time limit may be changed to accommodate all callers.
- A bell will ring when time has expired.
- **Written comments on a specific proceeding can be submitted via the CPUC's docket card. Please visit www.cpuc.ca.gov/docket, input the proceeding number, then click on the public comment tab. You can also visit the Public Advisor's Office webpage at www.cpuc.ca.gov/pao for further information.**
- Public Comment is not permitted on the following items:
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Public Agenda Changes

Items shown on the Consent Agenda will be taken up and voted on as a group in one of the first items of business of each CPUC meeting.

- Items on Today's Consent Agenda 1 are:
1, 2, 5, 11, 12, 13, 15, 16, 18, 20, 22, 24, 25, 26, 27, 34, 36, and 40.
- Items on Today's Consent Agenda 2 are: **7, 8, 9, 10, 17, 19, 23, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 35, 37, 38, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, and 48.**
- Any Commissioner, with consent of the other Commissioners, may request an item from the Regular Agenda be moved to the Consent Agenda prior to the meeting.
- **No Item** from the Regular Agenda has been added to the Consent Agenda.
- Any Commissioner may request an item be removed from the Consent Agenda for discussion on the Regular Agenda prior to the meeting.
- **No Item** has been withdrawn.
- **Items 3 and 21** have been moved to the Regular Agenda.
- The following items have been held to future Commission Meetings:

Held to 8/1/2024: 4, 6, 14, 39, 41, 49, 49A, 50, and 50A.

Regular Agenda

- Each item on the Regular Agenda (and its alternate if any) will be introduced by the assigned Commissioner or CPUC staff and discussed before it is moved for a vote.
- For each agenda item, a summary of the proposed action is included on the agenda; the CPUC's final decision may, however, differ from that proposed.
- The complete text of every Proposed Decision or Draft Resolution is available for download on the CPUC's website: www.cpuc.ca.gov
- Late changes to agenda items are available on the Virtual Escutia Table; or in paper format or via QR Code at the Commission Meeting site.

Regular Agenda | Orders and Resolutions

Item #3 [22625] – Ratemaking Mechanism Pursuant to Senate Bill 410 for Energization Projects A.21-06-021

Application of Pacific Gas and Electric Company for Authority, Among Other Things, to Increase Rates and Charges for Electric and Gas Service Effective on January 1, 2023.

Ratesetting

Comr. John Reynolds - Judge Larsen - Judge Regnier

PROPOSED OUTCOME:

- Authorizes Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) to record and track in an interim memorandum account costs for energization projects placed in service after January 1, 2024, that exceeds the energization costs included in PG&E's annual revenue requirement authorized in Phase I of this proceeding, pursuant to Senate Bill 410, the "Powering Up Californians Act."
- Requires that costs tracked through the interim memorandum account be recovered through the Annual Electric True Up advice letters subject to reasonableness review and possible refund in the next general rate case (GRC).
- Requires energization costs to be verified by an independent, PG&E-paid audit that will evaluate PG&E's performance in utilizing energization practices and procedures and its future planning for electricity demand growth.
- Keeps the proceeding open to provide further guidance on metrics relevant to auditor reports, to consider revising this energization cost recovery mechanism, and to consider revising reporting requirements for reviewing the reasonableness of PG&E's interim rate recovery in its next GRC.

SAFETY CONSIDERATIONS:

- There are no safety considerations associated with this decision.

ESTIMATED COST:

- The maximum incremental revenue requirements associated with energization projects are capped at \$144.310 million in 2024, \$91.568 million in 2025, and \$99.071 million in 2026.

Regular Agenda | Orders and Resolutions (continued)

Item #21 [22638] – Societal Cost Test for Distributed Energy Resources

R.22-11-013

Order Instituting Rulemaking to Consider Distributed Energy Resource Program Cost- Effectiveness Issues, Data Access and Use, and Equipment Performance Standards.

Ratesetting

Comr. Houck - Judge Lau

PROPOSED OUTCOME:

- Adopts the Societal Cost Test (SCT) as an additional information-only test to assess the cost-effectiveness of Distributed Energy Resources (DER) programs and adopts four required input values in the SCT.
- Requires that the SCT be performed in all DER proceedings.

• **SAFETY CONSIDERATIONS:**

- There are no safety considerations associated with this decision.

ESTIMATED COST:

- There are no costs associated with this decision.

Regular Agenda | Communication Resolutions and Reports

Item #51 [22670] – Last Mile Federal Funding Account Projects in Imperial, Lassen, and Plumas Counties

Res T-17826

PROPOSED OUTCOME:

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SAFETY CONSIDERATIONS:

- There are no safety considerations associated with this resolution.

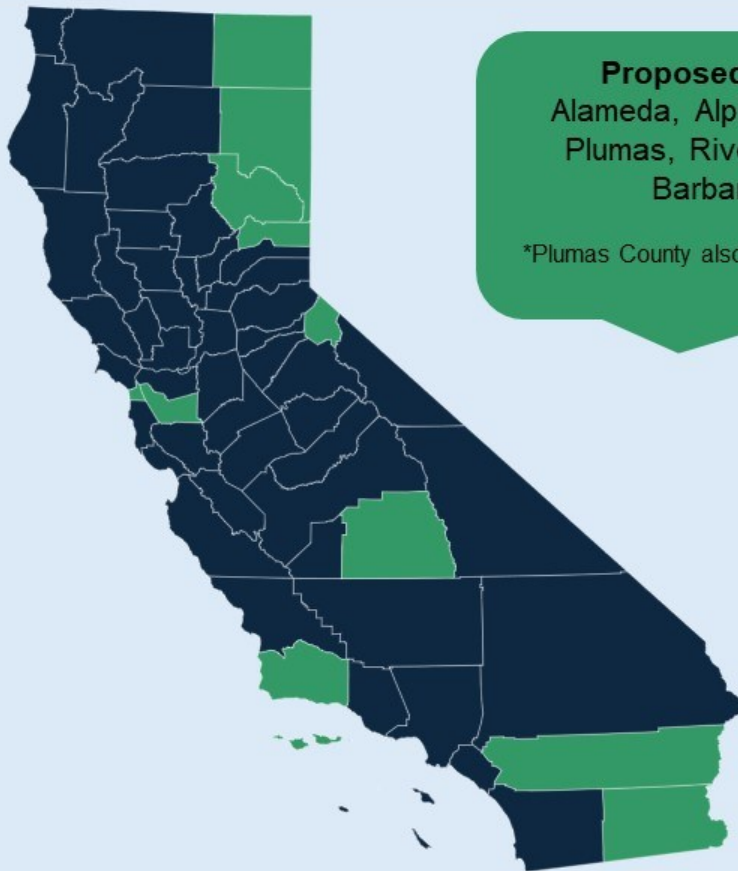
ESTIMATED COST:

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Regular Agenda | Communication Resolutions and Reports (continued)

Item #52 [22579] – Last Mile Federal Funding Account in Alameda, San Francisco, and Sierra Counties

Res T-17829

PROPOSED OUTCOME:

- Grants up to \$44.4 million in Last Mile Federal Funding Account funding for five broadband infrastructure projects serving unserved areas in Alameda, San Francisco, and Sierra Counties, providing service to 2,097 unserved locations.

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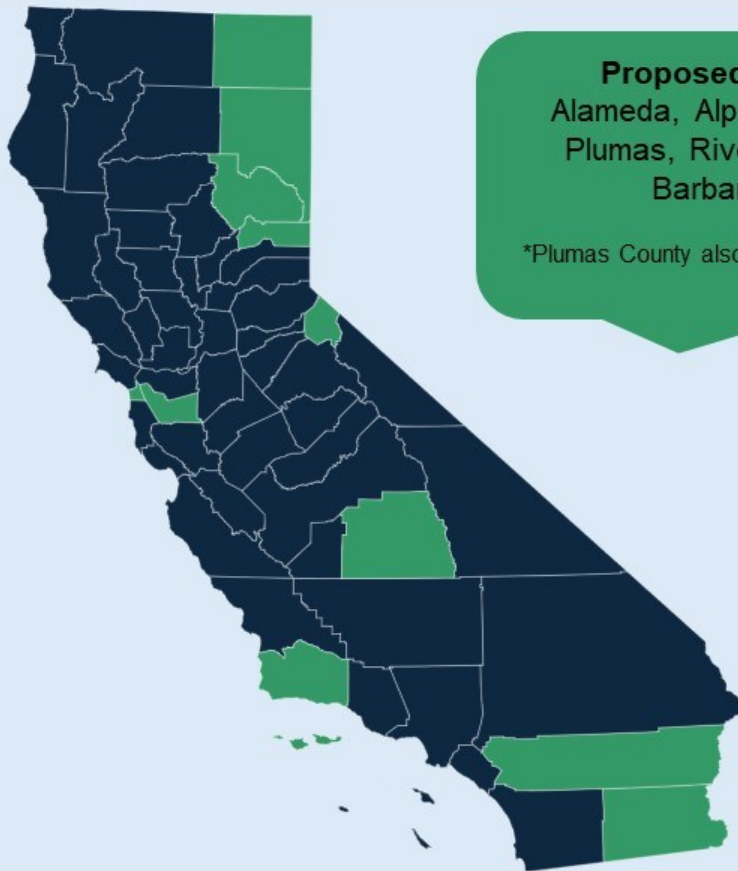
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Management Reports



Regular Agenda- Management Reports and Resolutions

Item #53 [22710]

Management Report on Administrative Actions and Consumer Protection and Safety Activities

Management Reports



Commissioner's Reports



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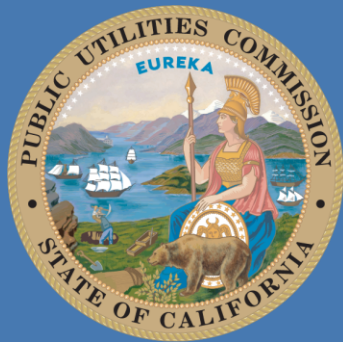
The next Public Meeting will be:

August 1, 2024

11:00 a.m.

San Francisco, CA





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